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CHAPTER I.

DEFINITIONS.

There shall be added the following Definition:—

Admission to a degree “ *ad eundem gradum* ” means admission to a degree of equal or similar rank.

CHAPTER IX.

MEETINGS OF THE SENATE.

There shall be added to Section 3 the following proviso:—

Provided that the Senate may by Regulation made from time to time prescribe that the Yearly Meeting shall be held in some month during the academic year other than the month of May or June.

CHAPTER XIII.

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

There shall be added the Section following:—

6. It shall be the duty of the Library Committee to present an Annual Report to the Senate at each Yearly Meeting.

CHAPTER XVI.

FACULTIES.

There shall be added to the list of Faculties set out in Section 1 the following:—

(E.) The Faculty of Commerce.

There shall be added to Section 2 the following:—

Provided that if, and so long as, the Senate shall recognise the Municipal Technical Institute, Belfast, as a College for the purpose of giving privileges to students of the University who are pursuing courses of study in that College in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Charter, and these Statutes, the Principal of the Institute shall be a member of the Faculty of Science in addition to the members by this section provided.

There shall be added to the list of subjects of the Faculty of Science set out in Section 3 (B) the following:—

Chemical Technology.
Textile Technology.
Naval Architecture
Agriculture.

There shall be added to the lists of subjects of the several Faculties set out in Section 3 the following:—

(E.) The subjects of the Faculty of Commerce shall be the following:—

English Literature.
French.
German.
Modern History.
Economics.
Mathematics.
Physics.

Chemistry.
Geology.
Geography.
Engineering.
English Law.
International Law.
Commercial Law.
Economic History.
Commerce.
Accountancy.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

RECOGNITION OF COLLEGES AND OF INDIVIDUAL TEACHERS.

There shall be added the Section following:—

9. The Senate may, after receiving and considering a report from the General Board of Studies, confer the honorary title of Extra-mural Professor on a recognised teacher holding the office of Professor in a recognised College, and may confer the honorary title of Extra-mural Lecturer on a recognised teacher holding the office of Lecturer in a recognised College: Provided that such Professor or Lecturer in a recognised College shall retain such honorary title only so long as he continues to be a recognised teacher.

CHAPTER XXXII.

DEGREES.

Section 8 shall be deleted and there shall be substituted the following:—

8. The Senate may by Regulation institute or recognise in connexion with the Faculties of Arts, Science, or Commerce courses of study and examinations in subjects related to Commerce and Industry and institute in connexion therewith degrees in Arts or Science, with or without a distinctive addition to the title of the degree.

B.—Faculty of Science.

Sections 1, 2, and 3 shall be deleted and there shall be substituted the following:—

1. There shall be three degrees of the University in the Faculty of Science, viz., Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.), Master of Science (M.Sc.), and Doctor of Science (D.Sc.).

2. The degree of B.Sc. shall be the primary degree in the Faculty of Science, and shall be conferred only upon (a) Matriculated Students of the University who have pursued the approved courses of study and passed the prescribed examinations for the degree, or (b) graduates of other Universities whom the Senate may decide to admit *ad eundem gradum*.

3. The degree of M.Sc. may be conferred upon Bachelors of Science of the University or upon graduates of other Universities who hold degrees of equal or similar rank after the lapse of not less than one academic year from the date of their admission to the degree. It may be conferred either (a) on the submission of a thesis to be approved by the Faculty of Science, or (b) as a recognition of independent research in one or more of the subjects of the Faculty.

4. The degree of D.Sc. may be conferred upon graduates of the University after the lapse of not less than three academic years from the date of their admission to a degree in any Faculty. It shall be conferred upon a report of the Faculty of Science recording or approving research or other scientific work in relation to pure or applied science done by the candidate. It may also be conferred by the Senate, on the recommendation of the Academic Council, upon graduates of the University who are distinguished in science, engineering, or other practical application of science.

There shall be added the Sections following:—

E.—Faculty of Commerce.

1. There shall be three degrees of the University in the Faculty of Commerce, viz., Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.), Master of Science (M.Sc.), and Doctor of Science (D.Sc.), with or without a distinctive addition to the title of the degrees, according as the Senate shall by Regulation determine.

2. The degree of B.Sc. shall be the primary degree in the Faculty of Commerce, and shall be conferred only upon (a) Matriculated Students of the University who have pursued the approved courses of study and passed the prescribed examinations for the degree, or (b) graduates of other Universities whom the Senate may decide to admit *ad eundem gradum*.

3. The degree of M.Sc. may be conferred upon Bachelors of Science of the University or upon graduates of other Universities who hold degrees of equal or similar rank after the lapse of not less than one academic year from the date of their admission to the degree. It may be conferred either (a) on the submission of a thesis to be approved by the Faculty of Commerce, or (b) as a recognition of independent research in one or more of the subjects of the Faculty.

4. The degree of D.Sc. may be conferred upon graduates of the University after the lapse of not less than three academic years from the date of their admission to a degree in any Faculty. It shall be conferred upon a report of the Faculty of Commerce recording or approving research or other scientific work in relation to Commerce and Industry done by the candidate. It may also be conferred by the Senate, on the recommendation of the Academic Council, upon graduates of the University who are distinguished in science, economics, or other application of science or scientific method to Commerce and Industry.

THESE AMENDMENTS TO THE STATUTES ARE MADE BY THE BELFAST COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED UNDER THE IRISH UNIVERSITIES ACT, 1908, AND ARE SEALED WITH THEIR COMMON SEAL IN PURSUANCE OF A RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COMMISSIONERS ON THE 29TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1910.

DONALD MACALISTER, Chairman.

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ARTHUR JAFFE, *Secretary.*

CHAPTER XXXIX.

PENSIONS.

1. The Senate shall, after receiving and considering a report from the Finance Committee, adopt a Superannuation Scheme for the benefit of every President, full-time Professor, Secretary, Bursar, and other officer whose office the Senate may decide to make pensionable, not being an "existing officer" as defined in Section 19 of the Act:

Provided that the basis of the said Scheme shall be the following:—

- (a) The University shall set aside each year a sum calculated at the rate of ten per centum of the normal salary of each President, full-time Professor, Secretary, Bursar, and other pensionable officer, for the purpose of providing for each such officer a pension or superannuation allowance on his retirement from office, or, in the event of his death while in office, of granting, at the absolute discretion of the Senate, a gratuity or charitable allowance to his widow and children (if any) or to a near relative or near relatives immediately dependent upon him during his life.
- (b) For the purpose of calculating the said sums no normal salary shall in the case of any President be reckoned as of a greater amount than £1,200 per annum, or in the case of any full-time Professor of a greater amount than £600 per annum, or in the case of any Secretary, Bursar, or other pensionable officer of a greater amount than £400 per annum.
- (c) No pension or superannuation allowance shall be provided for any President of a greater amount than £600 per annum, or for any full-time Professor of a greater amount than £400 per annum, or for any Secretary, Bursar, or other pensionable officer of a greater amount than £150 per annum.

2. Out of the sums granted for the maintenance of the University under the provisions of the Act an annual sum of £2,500 shall be set apart and be placed to the credit of a fund, to be called the Pension Fund, for the purpose of providing the pensions at present payable to retired Professors of Queen's College, Belfast, and also the pensions that may hereafter become payable to the existing President and such of the existing Professors and other officers and servants as had a right to pensions prior to the passing of the Act, and also the pensions that may under any Superannuation Scheme hereafter become payable to any President, full-time Professor, Secretary, Bursar, or other officer whose office may be made pensionable:

Provided that the said annual sum of £2,500 may be used as security for effecting a loan for the purposes of the Pension Fund should it be necessary or expedient to do so; but the loan so effected and its accretions, if any, shall be devoted exclusively to the purposes of the Pension Fund.

3. The said annual sum of £2,500 shall continue to be set aside each year until, on the report of an actuary to be employed by the Senate on a representation from the Finance Committee, it appears that the capital sum which has accumulated to the credit of the Pension Fund so formed, including any additional sums from other sources and any accumulations of interest thereon, is sufficient to provide for the pensions which may still be payable to officers of Queen's College, Belfast, who had a right to pensions prior to the passing of the Act, or until a capital sum of £20,000 has accumulated to the credit of the Pension Fund, whichever capital sum is the greater:

Provided that, when the aforesaid capital sum has accumulated to the credit of the Pension Fund, the aforesaid annual sum of £2,500 may be reduced to such smaller amount as the Senate may from time to time determine to be sufficient.

CHAPTER XL.

RECOGNITION OF THE MUNICIPAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, BELFAST, AS A COLLEGE.

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in these Statutes the Senate may, without proceeding by the steps enumerated in section 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Chapter

XXVIII. of these Statutes, recognise the Municipal Technical Institute, Belfast, as a College in which students of the University may pursue courses of study qualifying for a degree or a diploma of the University, and to the Institute so recognised as a College the provisions of Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of the said Chapter XXVIII. shall apply: Provided always that in the first instance the Senate shall agree not to exercise the power of withdrawing its recognition of the Institute until the end of seven years from the date of recognition, nor unless it has given two years' notice of such withdrawal.

CHAPTER XLI.

THE COMMITTEE OF TECHNOLOGY.

1. A special Advisory Committee, to be called the Committee of Technology, shall be appointed by the Senate, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter XI. of these Statutes, and shall consist of the following members:—

(a) The persons for the time being representing the Belfast Technical Instruction Committee, the Corporation of Belfast, and the Belfast Chamber of Commerce respectively on the Senate.

(b) Four other members of the Senate, to be elected by the Senate at each Yearly Meeting.

(c) Four members of the Belfast Technical Instruction Committee, to be nominated to the Senate by that Committee.

2. The Chairman shall be the member of Senate elected by the Belfast Technical Instruction Committee.

3. The Senate may refer to the Committee of Technology for consideration and report any matter affecting the mutual interests of the University and the Municipal Technical Institute, Belfast, and in particular any proposal involving the establishment within the University of new departments, or the addition to the list of subjects of the Faculty of Science of new subjects, relating to Applied Science or Technology.

4. The Senate shall make Regulations defining more particularly the duties and powers of the Committee of Technology, but subject to these Statutes and to any Regulations made by the Senate, the Committee may regulate its own procedure and the times and places of its meetings.

5. The provisions of this Chapter shall be operative only if, and so long as, the Senate shall recognise the Municipal Technical Institute, Belfast, as a College for the purpose of giving privileges to students of the University who are pursuing courses of study in that College in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Charter, and these Statutes.

CHAPTER XLII.

THE COMMITTEE OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

1. A special Advisory Committee, to be called the Committee of Commerce and Industry, shall be appointed by the Senate, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter XI. of these Statutes, and shall consist of the following members:—

(a) The persons for the time being representing the Belfast Technical Instruction Committee, the Corporation of Belfast, and the Belfast Chamber of Commerce respectively on the Senate.

Five other members of the Senate, to be elected by the Senate at each Yearly Meeting.

(b) A person representing the Belfast Harbour Commissioners, to be nominated to the Senate by the Commissioners.

A person representing the Belfast Linen Merchants' Association, to be nominated to the Senate by the Council of the Association.

A person representing the Institute of Bankers in Ireland, to be nominated to the Senate by the Council of the Institute.

A person representing the Belfast Society of Chartered Accountants, to be nominated to the Senate by the Committee of the Society.

A person representing the Northern Law Society, to be nominated to the Senate by the Council of the Society.

(c) Such other persons, not exceeding three in number, as may be appointed from time to time by the Senate.

2. The Chairman shall be the member of the Senate representing the Belfast Chamber of Commerce.

3. The Senate may refer to the Committee of Commerce and Industry for consideration and report any matter affecting the educational relations of the University to Commerce and Industry.

4. The Senate shall make Regulations defining more particularly the duties and powers of the Committee of Commerce and Industry, but subject to these Statutes and to any Regulations made by the Senate, the Committee may regulate its own procedure and the times and places of its meetings.

CHAPTER XLIII.

THE COMMITTEE FOR THE EXTENSION OF UNIVERSITY TEACHING.

1. A special Advisory Committee to be called the Committee for the Extension of University Teaching shall be appointed by the Senate in accordance with the provisions of Chapter XI. of the Statutes, and shall consist of the following members:—

(a) Four members of the Senate (not being Professors) elected by the Senate at each Yearly Meeting.

(b) Four members of the General Board of Studies to be nominated to the Senate by the General Board of Studies before each Yearly Meeting.

(c) Not more than four other persons who are specially cognisant of the educational conditions and requirements of the city and district. Such persons shall be nominated from time to time to the Senate by the Committee, and shall hold office until the next Yearly Meeting.

2. The Senate may refer to the Committee for consideration and report any matter affecting the extension of University teaching.

3. The Senate shall make Regulations defining more particularly the duties and powers of the Committee for the Extension of University Teaching, but subject to these Statutes and to any Regulations made by the Senate, the Committee may regulate its own procedure and the times and places of its meetings.

4. The provisions of this Chapter shall be operative only if, and so long as, the Senate shall decide to exercise the powers for the extension of University teaching conferred upon the University under Chapter II. (6) of the Charter.

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DONALD MACALISTER, *Chairman.*

ARTHUR JAFFE, *Secretary.*